

REMARKS

The applicant has amended the claims and added new claims in view of new prior art recently brought to the attention of the undersigned. A supplemental IDS is attached to this response.

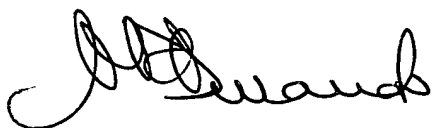
New Claims 47-53 are identical to original Claims 1-7, with the additional feature that "the light source is imaged into a plurality of pupils corresponding to said plurality of imaging systems." Claim 1 was amended to add the limitation of "magnifying" imaging systems. Claim 8 was amended to recite more generally a "wavefront" instead of an "imaging" wavefront. Claims 9-23 were amended to recite separate lines of claims directed to an imaging wavefront and to an illumination wavefront. New Claims 54-69 were added to recite the same features of Claims 9-23 in a form dependent from new Claim 47. The two new features of Claims 1 and 47 are believed to distinguish the new art provided to the PTO.

The Examiner requested restriction for examination purposes to one invention among Species I-VI. In addition, in case the applicant elected Species III, the Examiner requested that a single sub-species be selected for examination among the enumerated sub-species A-F. Inasmuch as the new claims read on the same species and sub-species enumerated in the Examiner's request for restriction, the same requirement is believed to apply to the new claims.

Accordingly, the applicant elects Species III and sub-species B, directed to an element for modifying an amplitude of the imaging wavefront, corresponding to Claims 1, 8, 10, 47, 54 and 56. If generic Claims 1 and 47 are found to be allowable, the applicant respectfully requests that the remaining claims depending from them also be considered during examination of this application.

A fee of \$575 is believed to be due with this response for the additional 23 claims (a total of three independent claims are pending after amendment). Please charge this amount, and any additional amount that may be due, to our Deposit Account No. 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Antonio R. Durando', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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